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Teaching

Vanderbilt University Law School

- Associate Professor since 2004; Assistant Professor, 1998-2004
- Director of Legal Writing since 2000; Legal Writing Coordinator, 1998-2000
- Chair of the Planning Committee on an LL.M. for Foreign Law Graduates, 1999-2000
- Courses: Legal Writing; Teaching Assistance for Legal Writing; Introduction to Legal Research and Writing in the U.S. (mandatory LL.M. course); European Union Law; Comparative Constitutional Law of Germany and the U.S. (with Prof. Dr. D.C. Umbach)

Short Courses in Germany:

- Introduction to Anglo-American Law, Universität Bonn Law Faculty (2003-2006, 2008, with Prof. Dr. Nina Dethloff)
- Introduction to U.S. Law, Universität Bielefeld (2000)
- American Law Introductory Courses, organized by Michigan Law School and *Deutsch-Amerikanische Juristen-Vereinigung* (1998, 1999, and 2001)

Pennsylvania State University, Dickinson School of Law

- Fellow, 1996-98
- Courses: Lawyering Skills and Landlord-Tenant Law; Equal Protection and Civil Rights

Teaching & Research Assistant, Universität Potsdam (Germany) Law Faculty, 1994-95

Legal Writing Instructor (as a 3L), University of Michigan Law School, 1990-91

Education

LL.M., *magna cum laude*, Universität Potsdam Law Faculty, Germany, 1995

J.D., *cum laude*, University of Michigan Law School, 1991

- Law Review and Four Certificates of Merit

B.A., William and Mary, 1985

- Phi Beta Kappa and German Department Distinguished Student Award
- 30 Credits Earned on Academic Scholarship at Universität Münster, Germany

Clerkship

Hon. James G. Carr, United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, 1995-96

Practice

Associate, Pierce Atwood, Portland, Maine, 1991-93

Summer Associate, U.S. Department of State, Legal Adviser's Office, 1990

Robert Bosch Foundation Fellow, Federal Ministry of Justice and *Landgericht* (Regional Court), Bonn and Freiburg, Germany, 1993-94

Summer Associate, Hooper, Hathaway, Price, Beuche & Wallace, Ann Arbor, 1989

Service, Reports, and Presentations

ABA Section on Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar

- Communication Skills Committee: Vice Chair 2008-09, Member 2001-09
 - Moderator, *Legal Writing for Business and Transactional Lawyers: A Conversation Between Practitioners and Professors*, ABA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 2007
- Member of the Team Developing, for the Curriculum Committee, the *Survey of Law School Curricula* (2d ed., forthcoming)
- Accreditation Site Evaluation Team Chair and Evaluators Workshop Faculty, 2009-10
- Accreditation Site Evaluation Teams: J.D. Programs at Ave Maria, BYU, Creighton, John Marshall–Atlanta, Notre Dame, Pontifical Catholic of Puerto Rico, and Vermont
- Accreditation Site Evaluator for 4 LL.M. Programs

Association of Legal Writing Directors

- Leadership: President-Elect, President, and Immediate Past President, 2005-08; Executive Committee since 2004-08; Board of Directors, 2001-05
- Liaison to the ABA Council since 2003
 - Lead Author, *Accreditation Policy and Quality Instruction in Law*, Presented at ABA Midyear Meeting, Miami, 2007
- Various Committees since 1999
- Presentations at the Association's Biennial Conferences:
 - "Leveraging" Feedback: Simple Steps to Turn Comments on Individual Papers into Classroom Learning Tools, 1999
 - Caught in the Middle: Surviving as a New but Interim Director, 1999
 - Technology and Curricular Innovation: Beyond Technocentrism, 2001
 - Breakout Session Leader, *Leadership Styles*, 2003
 - Plenary Session Panelist, *ABA Accreditation Standards and Legal Writing*, 2005
 - *ALWD's Mission and Membership* (Membership Meeting), 2007
 - *ABA Accreditation Update* (Panelist), 2009

Association of American Law Schools

- Developer and Presenter, at the AALS Workshop for Beginning Legal Writing Teachers, of Seminars on *Critiquing Student Writing*, 2005, 2007, and 2009

Legal Writing Institute and Related Organizations

- Moderator, *Moot Court and Student Publications*, Conference on Preparing for Practice (Legal Skills Training in Central and Eastern Europe), Prague, 2005
- Presentations at Legal Writing Institute Biennial Conferences:
 - *Synergy and Synthesis: Teaming Socratic Method with Data-Projection Technology to Teach Synthesis*, 2000
 - Group Leader, *Critique Workshop* (with Daniel Barnett and Others), 2006
 - *Syllabus Drafting* (with Susan Kosse Duncan), 2006
 - *Picturing a Memo: Instructional Imagery*, 2008
- Presentations at Regional Conferences:
 - *Beyond Words: Teaching Legal Writing Using Images*, UNLV, 2007
 - *Informative Course Descriptions and Syllabi*, Washington University, 2003

Vanderbilt University

- Max Kade Center for European and German Studies Advisory Board, since 2006

Editorial Boards

Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing, since 2001

Journal of the Legal Writing Institute, 2002-06

German Law Journal 2002-09

Publications

Chapters

Report: Bundesverwaltungsgericht (Federal Administrative Court), in 2-3 ANNUAL OF GERMAN & EUROPEAN LAW (Russell A. Miller & Peer Zumbansen eds., 2006)

Report: Bundesverwaltungsgericht (Federal Administrative Court), in 1 ANNUAL OF GERMAN & EUROPEAN LAW (Russell A. Miller & Peer Zumbansen eds., 2004)

Articles, Book Reviews, and Essays

Teaching Transactional Skills in First-Year Writing Courses, TRANSACTIONS: TENN. J. BUS. L. (SPECIAL REPORT, "TEACHING DRAFTING AND TRANSACTIONAL SKILLS: THE BASICS AND BEYOND") 53 (2009) (co-authors: Wayne Schiess; Pamela Wilkins; Danton Berube; Irene Segal Ayers)

Readying Ourselves to Provide Effective, Timely Feedback, SECOND DRAFT: BULLETIN OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE, vol. 22, No. 1, at 13 (Fall 2007)

Minds and Levers: Reflections on Howard Gardner's Changing Minds, 14 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 116 (2006)

The Uncertain Limits of the European Court of Justice's Authority: Economic Freedom Versus Human Dignity, 10 COLUMBIA JOURNAL OF EUROPEAN LAW 445 (2004) (co-author: Thomas Fetzer, Universität Mannheim, Germany; presented at the 2003 European Studies Association Conference)

Constitutional Drift: Toward the End of Federal Shop-Closing (Ladenschluss) Regulation, 5 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 9 (Sept. 1, 2004)

Teaching Students How to Learn in Your Course: The Learning-Centered Course Manual, in 12 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 1 (2003)

New Transatlantic Tension and the Kagan Phenomenon: A Primer, 4 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 9 (Sept. 1, 2003)

More Disagreement Over Human Dignity: The Federal Constitutional Court's Most Recent Benetton Advertising Decision, 4 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 4 (June 1, 2003)

Technology and Legal Education: Negotiating the Shoals of Technocentrism, Technophobia, and Indifference, 1 JOURNAL OF THE ASSOCIATION OF LEGAL WRITING DIRECTORS 247 (2002)

Synergy and Synthesis: Teaming Socratic Method with Computers and Data Projectors to Teach Synthesis, 7 JOURNAL OF THE LEGAL WRITING INSTITUTE 113 (2001)

Teaching Synthesis in High-Tech Classrooms: Using Sophisticated Visual Tools Alongside Socratic Dialogue to Help Guide Students Through the Labyrinth, 9 PERSPECTIVES: TEACHING LEGAL RESEARCH & WRITING 110 (2001)

An American's View of the Federal Constitutional Court: Karlsruhe's Justices Speak Softly But Carry a Big Stick, 2 GERMAN LAW JOURNAL, No. 9 (June 1, 2001)

Specifics of Justice: Inga Markovits's Firsthand Account of German Unification, 11 EMORY INTERNATIONAL LAW REVIEW 757 (1997) (reviewing Markovits, IMPERFECT JUSTICE (1995))

Depositions and the Court, 32 TORT & INSURANCE LAW JOURNAL 635 (1997) (co-author: Hon. James G. Carr)

Einseitige präjudizielle Rechtskraftwirkung zugunsten Dritter im US-amerikanischen Zivilprozeßrecht, 73 DEUTSCHE RICHTERZEITUNG [GERMAN JUDGES' JOURNAL] 94 (1995) (presented at Germany's *Bundesgerichtshof* (Supreme Court), May 1994)

Book Note, 88 MICHIGAN LAW REVIEW 1963 (1990) (reviewing Council on Foreign Relations, *RIGHT V. MIGHT: INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE USE OF FORCE* (1989))

Translations, German to English

Contributing Translator, DECISIONS OF THE *BUNDESVERFASSUNGSGERICHT* (FEDERAL CONSTITUTIONAL COURT OF GERMANY), Vol. 2 (Nomos 1998)

MUNICIPALITY & COUNTY CODE OF THURINGIA (Adenauer-Stiftung 1995)

References

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Honorable James G. Carr, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, N.D. Ohio, U.S. Courthouse, Toledo, Ohio, Tel. 419/213-5555

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